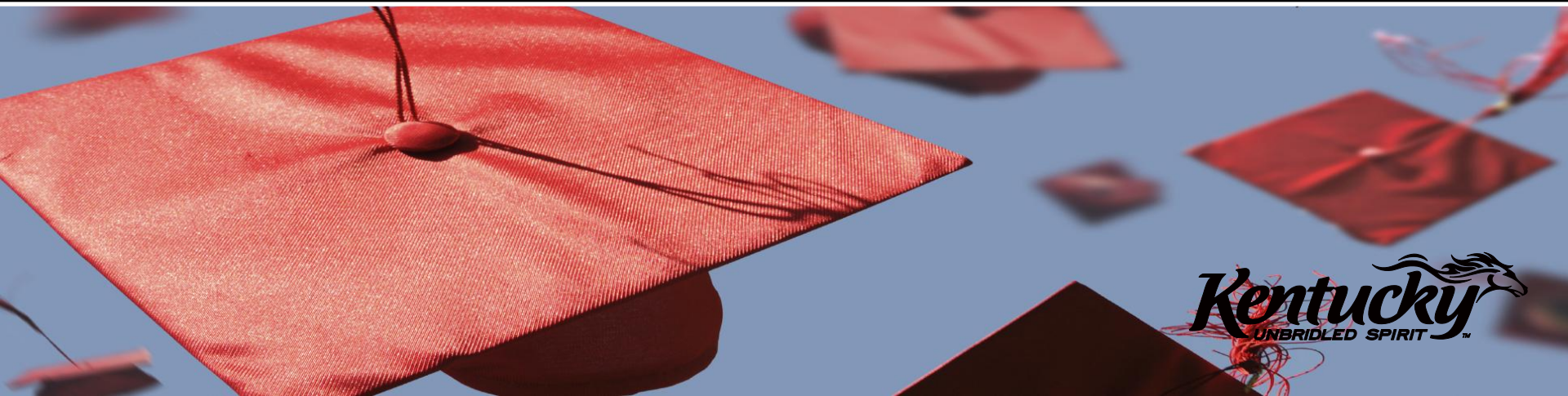


The Governor's Higher Education Work Group

STATUS REPORT ON TRANSFER

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Update on Transfer in KY



- ❖ Barriers to successful transfer
- ❖ National best practices
- ❖ Current initiatives
- ❖ Definition of a transfer student
- ❖ Next steps

Barriers to Transfer



2004 Survey of 4,985 KCTCS Students:

- ❖ 56% of all students cited financial difficulties.
- ❖ 38% of all students indicated conflicts with times courses were scheduled.
- ❖ 67% of students planning to transfer had not received transfer information from a college advisor.
- ❖ 32% of undecided students planned to complete a baccalaureate but did not understand the transfer process.
- ❖ 31% of all students did not plan to transfer.

National Best Practices



- ❖ Increase financial aid for full- and part-time transfer students (e.g., AR, IL, NM, PA, WV).
- ❖ Expand flexible academic programs (e.g. WI).
- ❖ Increase opportunities to obtain credit for relevant experiential learning (e.g., AL, NY).
- ❖ Expand statewide technology to provide transparent information to students (e.g., MN, PA, OH, SC, TX).
- ❖ Develop joint admission/enrollment programs (e.g., MA, MD, NY, OR, RI, TX).
- ❖ Expand statewide outreach campaigns (e.g., AZ, IN, MN, NY, OH, TX).
- ❖ Focus on common learning outcomes across institutions (e.g., IN, MN, NY, OH, TX, UT).

Current Initiatives



- ❖ Restructuring institutional financial aid
 - 520 transfer scholarships (fall 2008)
 - 32 minority transfer scholarships
- ❖ Expanding upper division programs
 - 100% online programs via KYVC (62)
 - Completer degrees (e.g., MoSU has 5)
 - Extended campuses (e.g., AIKCU, EKU, MoSU, MuSU, and WKU)
- ❖ Expanding statewide technology
 - Course equivalency manager
 - Electronic transcript exchange
 - Transparent statewide Web site

Current Initiatives



- ❖ Enhancing statewide outreach campaign
 - KnowHow2GoKY.org
 - *Transfer Student Handbook*
 - KCTCS/KACRAO Transfer Fairs

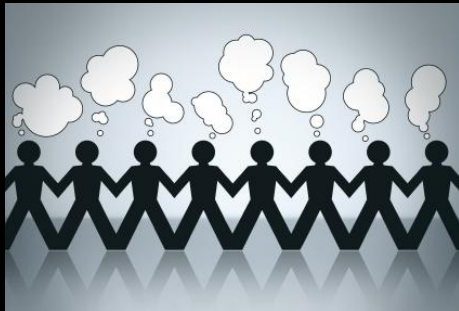
- ❖ Expanding advising programs
 - Kentucky Academic Advising Association (KACADA)
 - Transfer centers (e.g., ECU, KCTCS, MoSU, MuSU, UK, UL)
 - University advisors on KCTCS campuses
 - Joint admission/enrollment programs (e.g., MoSU, MuSU, NKU, WKU, UK, UL)

Current Initiatives



- ❖ Reviewing statutes and policies
 - KRS 164.020(14), KRS 164.037, KRS 164.580, KRS 164.583, KRS 164.5833
 - General Education Transfer Policy
- ❖ Facilitating statewide policy groups
 - Statewide Transfer Committee
 - Credit by exam (e.g., CLEP, DSST)
 - American Council on Education
 - Military credit
 - Workforce credit
- ❖ Conducting relevant experiential learning portfolio assessment workshops
 - For faculty on KCTCS and university campuses

Definition of Transfer Student



Clarified definition to:

- ❖ Paint more complete picture of student mobility to better inform transfer policies.
- ❖ Develop common language and unified voice around transfer.
- ❖ Understand the application of KCTCS credit toward four-year degrees.
- ❖ Compare Kentucky's institutions to each other and other states with transfer rates.
- ❖ Preliminary data will be available November 2009.

Next Steps



- ❖ Provide additional opportunities for HEWG members to discuss transfer:
 - K-12 advising and promotion
 - State financial aid funding
 - Statutory revisions
 - Statewide implementation of joint admission/enrollment programs
 - Design accountability measures

- ❖ Issue recommendations in the November 2009 report.

Collaboration



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